Biblical Drama based on John 21:1-19
Character Parts: Narrators 1-3, Peter, James, Thomas, John, Nathanael, Jesus, Other Disciples

Narrator 1: After Jesus rose from the tomb, he appeared to the disciples several times. On one occasion, it was on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias.

Narrator 2: Gathered there together were Simon Peter; Thomas, called the Twin; Nathanael of Cana in Galilee; James and John, the sons of Zebedee; and some other of his disciples. It happened like this.

Peter: I'm going fishing. How about the rest of you?

James: Sure. Why not? We'll go with you.

(All the disciples get in their boats with nets.)

Thomas: Are you guys catching anything over there?

John: Not a thing!

James: How about you?

Nathanael: We haven't seen a fish all night!

Peter: Maybe we'd better go in. It's almost daybreak — I'm tired!

John: Look over there! Who's that standing on the shore?

Jesus: *(calling from shore)* Children, you didn't catch any fish, did you?

Other Disciples: No! We haven't caught a thing!

Jesus: Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.

Thomas: Why does it matter where we put the net? It's all the same.

Nathanael: Ah, what's it going to hurt? Let's give it another try.

Thomas: I doubt that our luck is going to change any, but I'm too tired to argue!

(The disciples all put their nets back in the water.)

Peter: Look at all the fish!

James: How can this be possible?

John: Wait — I know how. It's the Lord!

Peter: Jesus? Where?

John: The man on the shore! It must be him!

Peter: I'm going to see!

(Peter quickly jumps into the water and swims ashore.)

Nathanael: Come on! Let's follow him in!

(When Peter comes ashore, Jesus is there, standing over a charcoal fire with fish on it, along with some bread.)

Jesus: Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.

Peter: *(wading back out to the boat)* Hey! Pull the boat in over here!

James: Wow — that's a LOT of fish! I wonder how many are in that net.

John: Exactly one hundred fifty-three.

James: How do you know that?

John: Doesn't it look like one hundred fifty-three to you?

James: I guess so … .

Nathanael: What I can't believe, is even with so many fish, the net isn't torn! That's amazing!

Jesus: *(to the group)* Come, and have breakfast.

Narrator 3: Jesus took the bread and shared it with his friends, and did the same with the fish. No one had to ask who he was, because they knew it was the Lord.

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